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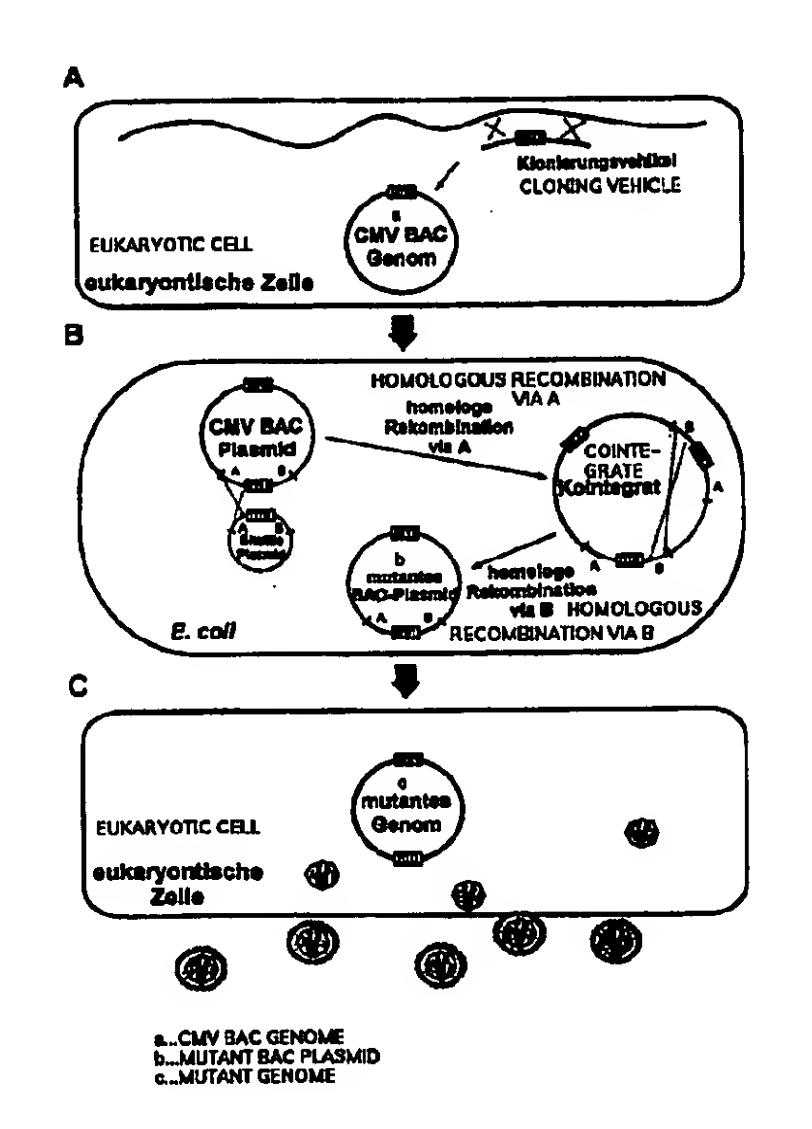
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(57) Abstract

The invention relates to recombinant vectors containing infectious, viral genome sequences as well as sequences of a cloning vehicle and to a method for producing said vectors. The invention further relates to the use of such recombinant vectors, especially for the mutagenesis of the infectious viral genome sequences contained therein, and to a method for the mutagenesis of said sequences.

(57) Zusammenfassung

Die vorliegende Erfindung betrifft rekombinante Vektoren, die infektiöse virale Genomsequenzen sowie Sequenzen eines Klonierungsvehikels enthalten, und ein Verfahren zur Herstellung dieser Vektoren. Ferner betrifft die vorliegende Erfindung die Verwendung solcher rekombinanter Vektoren, insbesondere zur Mutagenese der darin enthaltenen infektiösen viralen Genomsequenzen, sowie ein Verfahren zur Mutagenese dieser Sequenzen.



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